WCCCD Announces Registered Apprentice Program

The Workforce Development Division is pleased to announce its membership to the Registered Apprenticeship Consortium. The Registered Apprenticeship College Consortium is an effort announced last year by Vice-President Joe Biden. The consortium will allow graduates of Registered Apprenticeship programs to turn years of on-the-job and classroom training into college credits toward an associate or bachelor degree.

“This is a substantial advancement for our workforce development students,” said Vice Chancellor of the School of Continuing Education and Workforce Development Shawna Forbes. We want our students to be motivated and to continue putting forth effort in their professional fields while receiving a world class education here at WCCCD,” Forbes continued.

A registered apprenticeship is an “earn while you learn” model that provides a combination of on-the-job learning and related classroom instruction in which workers learn the practical and theoretical aspects of a highly-skilled occupation. Graduates of the program are connected to thousands of potential employers upon completion.

“We want to encourage more WCCCD students to consider entering the Workforce Development department and we think this partnership with a national program will be a great incentive, said Forbes.”

For more information on the Workforce Development Division and the RACC, please visit wcccd.edu.

Information about all District events can be found at www.wcccd.edu.

Downtown Campus Hours of Operation:
Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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WCCCD Breaks Barriers on Breast Cancer Awareness

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“We are thrilled to partner with EcoMedia and Boys & Girls Clubs on this vital initiative to help provide new and better tools to young people in our community,” stated WCCCD Chancellor Dr. Curtis L. Ivery. “Our mission at WCCCD has always been to provide pathways to better lives through higher education, and we understand that involves having access to technology that works at the speed of young people’s minds.”

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